proposed an amendment to amendment SA 1542 proposed by Mr. SPECTER to the bill H.R. 2660, making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, and for other purposes; as follows:

On page 61, between lines 14 and 15 insert the following:

SEC. ____. From the amounts appropriated under the heading Office of the Secretary, General Departmental Management there may be made available an additional \$2,000,000 to the Health Resources and Services Administration for the purchase of automatic external defibrilators and the training of individuals in cardiac life support in rural areas

SA 1640. Mr. SPECTER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1542 proposed by Mr. SPECTER to the bill H.R. 2660, making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, and for other purposes; as follows:

On page 61, between lines 14 and 15, insert the following:

"SEC. . Notwithstanding any other provisions of law, funds made available under this heading may be used to continue operating the Council on Graduate Medical Education established by Section 301 of Public Law 102-408"

SA 1641. Mr. SPECTER (for Mr. CHAMBLISS) proposed an amendment to amendment SA 1542 proposed by Mr. SPECTER to the bill H.R. 2660, making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, and for other purposes; as follows:

On page 28, line 6, strike "\$250,000,000" and insert "\$260,000,000" in lieu thereof.

On page 28, line 5, insert after "; and" the following: "purchase,"

SA 1642. Mr. SPECTER (for Mr. ROB-ERTS (for himself and Mr. CONRAD)) proposed an amendment to amendment SA 1542 proposed by Mr. SPECTER to the bill H.R. 2660, making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, and for other purposes; as follows:

On page 27, line 2, insert before the period the following: ": *Provided further,* That up to \$15,000,000 may be made available to carry out the rural emergency medical service training and equipment assistance program under section 330J of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 254c-15)".

SA 1643. Mr. SPECTER proposed an amendment to amendment SA 1542 proposed by Mr. SPECTER to the bill H.R. 2660, making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, and for other purposes; as follows:

At the appropriate place in Section 515(a): Increase the amount by \$37,455,000.

SA 1644. Mr. SPECTER (for himself and Mr. BYRD) proposed an amendment to amendment SA 1542 proposed by Mr. SPECTER to the bill H.R. 2660, making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, and for other purposes; as follows:

On page 23, between lines 15 and 16, insert the following:

SEC. _____. (a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds

(1) it is projected that the Department of Labor, in conjunction with labor, industry, and the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, will be undertaking several months of testing on Personal Dust Monitor production prototypes; and

(2) the testing of Personal Dust Monitor prototypes is set to begin (by late May or early June of 2004) following the scheduled delivery of the Personal Dust Monitors in May 2004.

(b) RE-PROPOSAL OF RULE.—Following the successful demonstration of Personal Dust Monitor technology, and if the Secretary of Labor makes a determination that Personal Dust Monitors can be effectively applied in a regulatory scheme, the Secretary of Labor shall re-propose a rule on respirable coal dust which incorporates the use of Personal Dust Monitors, and, if such rule is re-proposed, the Secretary shall comply with the regular procedures applicable to Federal rulemaking.

SA 1645. Mr. HARKIN (for himself and Mr. DASCHLE) proposed an amendment to amendment SA 1542 proposed by Mr. SPECTER to the bill H.R. 2660, making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, and for other purposes; as follows:

Add at the appropriate Place:

SECTION 1. DESIGNATION OF SENATOR PAUL D. WELLSTONE NIH MDCRC PROGRAM.

(1) On December 18, 2001, Public Law 107–84, otherwise known as the Muscular Dystrophy Community Assistance, Research and Education Amendments of 2001, or the MD CARE Act, was signed into law to provide for research and education with respect to various forms of muscular dystrophy, including Dechenne, Becker, limb girdle, congenital, facio-scapulohumeral, myotonic, oculopharyngeal, distal, and EmeryDreiffus muscular dystrophies.

- (2) In response to the MD CARE Act of 2001, in September 2002, NIH announced its intention to direct \$22.5 million over five years to its newly created Muscular Dystrophy Cooperative Research Centers (MDCRC) program.
- (3) Senator Paul D. Wellstone was a driving force behind enactment of the MD CARE Act, which led to the establishment of the MDCRC program.
- (b) DESIGNATION.—The NIH Muscular Dystrophy Cooperative Research Centers (MDCRC) program shall be known and designated as the "Senator Paul D. Wellstone Muscular Dystrophy Cooperative Research Centers," in honor of Senator Paul D. Wellstone who was deceased on October 25, 2002
- (c) REFERENCES.—Any reference in a law, regulation, document.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Mr. GREGG. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Finance be authorized to meet in open Executive Session during the session on Wednesday, September 10, 2003, at 10 a.m., to consider a substitute to H.R. 4, to reauthorize and improve the program of block grants to States for temporary assistance for needy families, improve access to quality child care and for other purposes; and S. 622, the Family Opportunity Act of 2003.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON TERRORISM, TECHNOLOGY, AND HOMELAND SECURITY

Mr. GREGG. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on the Judiciary Subcommittee on Terrorism, Technology and Homeland Security be authorized to meet to conduct a hearing on "Terrorism: Two Years After 9/11, Connecting the Dots," on Wednesday, September 10, 2003, at 10 a.m., in room 226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

Witness List:

Panel I: Mr. Simon Henderson, Founder Saudi Strategies, London, UK; Mr. Matthew Epstein, Attorney, Terrorism Analyst and Assistant Director of Research for the Investigative Project, Washington, DC; Mr. Nihad Awad, Director, Council on American Islamic Relations; or Mr. Omar Ahmed, Chairman of the Board, Council on American Islamic Relations, Washington, DC.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON OVERSIGHT OF GOVERNMENT MANAGEMENT, THE FEDERAL WORKFORCE AND THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Mr. GREGG. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Governmental Affairs Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce and the District of Columbia be authorized to meet on Wednesday, September 10, 2003 at 9 a.m. for a hearing entitled, "The 2003 Blackouts: The Federal Response."

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Ms. LANDRIEU. I ask unanimous consent that Kathleen Strottman be granted the privilege of the floor.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

AIDS

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Alabama.

Mr. SESSIONS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to speak for 2 minutes.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.